Pentecost Sunday
May 27th 2007

Faith Sharing
Readings and Questions

The Holy Trinity/Trinity Sunday
Week of June 3, 2007
Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5;
John 16:12-15

Theme: God is love.

Question for Adults: Today we celebrate the relationship of love between the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. During this coming week, when will you create time to experience God's love for you?
Question for Children: God fills us with love. How, this week, will you show your family—your mom, dad, brothers, sisters, grandparents, cousins—that you love them the same way God loves them?

Memorial Day Mass will be Monday May 28th at 8:00 a.m. at the Piedmont Cemetery

Monday, May 28th 2007
Monday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Sirach 17:20-24; Mark 10:17-27
8:00 a.m. Memorial Day Mass at Piedmont Cemetery
Intention: For Repose Greg Wagner & for all who sacrificed their lives for our country & for all of our loved ones we honor in the cemeteries this weekend.
Office Closed

Tuesday, May 29th 2007
Tuesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31
No Daily Liturgy
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Office Hours
7:00 p.m. – Boy Scouts
7:00- 9:00 p.m. – Catechism for Adults

Wednesday, May 30th 2007
Wednesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Sirach 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Mark 10:32-45
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Office Hours
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Food Pantry
No Daily Liturgy

Thursday, May 31st 2007
Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Luke 1:39-56
No Daily Liturgy
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Office Hours

Friday, June 1st 2007
Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr
Sirach 44:1, 9-13; Mark 11:11-26
8:00 a.m. – Daily Liturgy
Intention: Repose of Oscar Lopez
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Office Hours
5:30 p.m. – Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, June 2nd 2007
Saturday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Sirach 51:12-20; Mark 11:27-33
8:00 a.m. – Daily Liturgy with Adoration
Intention: Health of Thelma Sorenson
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Food Pantry
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Catechism for Adults
2:00 p.m. – Wedding

Sunday Readings
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5;
John 16:12-15
5:00 p.m. – Liturgy of the Eucharist
Intention: Repose of Jim Schable
Ministry Schedule
Bread Baker: *Lori Kline*
Altar Servers: *Bethany, Hannah and Elijah Ehresmann*
Blood: *Jayme and Reggie Hunt Greg and Nancy Sass*
Body: *Walt Wilson*
Lectors: *Sue & Steve Colgan*
Sacristans: *Erik & Estela Haakdahl*
Ushers: *Joe and Diane Norman*
Choir: *Family Choir*

Sunday, June 3rd 2007
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5;
John 16:12-15
8:00 a.m. -- Liturgy of the Eucharist
Intention: OLBH Community
Ministry Schedule
Altar Servers: *Caitlin, Kerry and Shannon Wilson*
Blood: *Brenda Jacobs, Marty Quinn, Kevin Rohrbach, Beth Anne Ferley*
Body: *Walt Wilson*
Lectors: *Jay Hammerquist and Jessica Ferley*
Sacristans: *Gary and Barb Erickson*
Ushers: *Marc Jacobs and Don Everson*
Choir: *Regina's Minstrels*

9:15 a.m. – Coffee and Rolls

10:30 a.m. – Liturgy of the Eucharist
Intention: Repose of Leona Keller
Ministry Schedule
Altar Servers: *Tyler Corbine, Mattias Didriksen, Whitney Werdel*
Blood: *Brad Blauvelt, Christine Didriksen, Mary Blauvetl, Lorinda Collings*
Body: *Walt Wilson*
Lectors: *Cathleen Denekamp, Tom Collings*
Sacristans: *The Blauvelt Family*
Ushers: *Dorothy Tinnell and John Wang*
Choir: *Folk Group*

Sparks From Fr. Mark
(Please see insert)

Prayer Corner
Names will remain on the prayer list for one month. Please contact the office for continued prayers.

Improved Health: Darrell Sanderson, Doug Wittenhagen, Marla Shaffer
Repose: Gary Buckmaster, Maria Heloise Burns, Eva Maher, Oscar Lopez

Stewardship
April 26th & 27th

Loose	$1,030.36
Envelopes	$1,510.00
Votive	$15.00
Student	$69.25
Guatemala Eggs	$116.28
Ascension Offering	$206.00
Stained Glass	$50.00
Catholic Mission	$10.00
Fair Trade	$2.00
Building Fund	$370.00
Total	$3,378.89

Renovation Pledges
May 1st 2005 to April 30th 2007
Total Pledged - $141,112.01
Total Received - $118,784.22

Howdy!

A VBS Howdy! Avalanche Ranch VBS will be held at OLBH June 11-15 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cost is $15 per child or $35 per family. Registration forms are available in the gathering area. If you have children preschool age through fifth grade who are interested in attending, please stop by and fill out a registration form. Or, if you are interested in helping out in one way or another, you may sign up at the same table. Ages 4-5 (not yet experienced Kindergarten) will go in our Prairie Dog Preschool room. Students completing Kindergarten through Fifth Grade will be in a multi-age mixed crew group.

Study of the Catechism for Adults
Tuesday evening 7:00-9:00 p.m. we will study chapter 8, and Saturday morning 9:30-11:30 a.m. we will study chapter 9. For more information, please call Kathy VanAsma at 787-6218.

Peace and Justice Committee will meet Sunday, June 3rd at 9:15 a.m. in the church library. This meeting will be about the mission trip to Standing Rock Reservation, which is scheduled for **July 8-12**. If you have any questions please call Eileen Desmond at 430-0209.

Thank You!
To all those who helped with the Confirmation Reception! Once again, the room was decorated beautifully and we appreciate all the help of those who served and cleaned!

IT'S COMING...

Mama Mia!

Come to the Basket Auction & Spaghetti Supper!
Our Lady of the Black Hills Church,
Saturday, June 9th.
Meal at 6 p.m. followed by the basket auction
Family of 5 +: $25.00 Adults: $7.00
Children: $4.00 3 & Under: Free
May purchase tickets at the door.
Proceeds to benefit OLBH youth attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Columbus, Ohio November 8-10, 2007

Summertime Home Masses

Our first Home Mass will be Wednesday, June 13th at Karen and Wes Mendenhall's home! We will provide directions the weekend prior to the Home Mass. We will be offering Mass in parishioners' homes (or back yards!) a couple Wednesday evenings per month during June, July, and August. Mass will begin at 6 p.m. and will be followed by a social hour—featuring potluck **desserts**. If you would like to host a Home Mass, please sign up in the gathering area.

Mark Your Calendars!

Glimpses of Eden

The youth who will be attending this year's ***National Catholic Youth Conference*** *are hosting a Parade of Gardens, which will include some beautiful gardens belonging to our parishioners.*

Sunday, June 24th

Tickets are $5.00 per person

Ages 12 & under are free.

More details to follow!

OLBH Parish Library In keeping with our goal of improving education as a life-long experience for all parishioners, we will be updating our parish library. Mary Coffin has agreed to be our volunteer librarian. Her first project is to analyze and organize our current resources and incorporate books donated from the former St. Martin's High School library. We would like to form an advisory committee of 3-5 people to provide input and help with occasional library related activities. If you would like to volunteer, call her at 718-7431. And stay tuned! This will be a growing part of our parish!

Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima

First Friday and First Saturday Masses

The vigil begins with Mass at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, June 1, in Our Lady's Chapel at OLPH, followed by prayers and devotions. Mass of Reparation begins at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 2, in Our Lady's Chapel, followed by exposition and benediction. Contact Ellen Robertson at 718-9909 or Marie Kinyon at 341-1588 for more information.

The West River Catholic would like photos and information regarding high school students who have received scholarships, and also regarding any couples celebrating golden wedding anniversaries. You may send photos and information to Becky Berreth, at bberreth@diorc.org. Please send the full photo file, and do not make files smaller. Or you may hand mail them to Box 678, Rapid City, SD, 57709. All hand mailed photos will be returned after the paper is published. If you have any questions or need to vary the deadline, contact Laurie or Becky at 605-343-3541.

Pope Benedict's Answer to "Who was Jesus?"

In his new book, *Jesus of Nazareth*, Pope Benedict XVI shares a compelling portrait of Jesus that inspires readers to encounter, face to face, the central figure of the Christian faith. He believes that everything in Christianity depends on building an "intimate friendship with Jesus" and shares his search for what he terms "the face of the Lord." The pope invites Christians into his classroom and, among other things, asks them to pray more intelligently, to view the beatitudes as a roadmap for the church, and to read the Gospels both critically and with love.

To order copies of *Jesus of Nazareth*, contact the parish office no later than June 4, 2007. The cost of each book is $12.50, tax included, which is **one-half the retail price of $24.95.** Please make checks payable to OLBH and please allow up to six weeks for delivery to the parishes.

Carmelite Retreats

The Carmelite Sisters of the Divine Heart of Jesus are offering a Vocation Retreat from August 16-19, 2007. This retreat is for young women ages 17-29 who are interested in finding out more about religious life. The Carmelites are also offering a Holiness Retreat from October 27-28, 2007 for young women ages 17-29 who are interested in growing in holiness and who would like to spend some time with the Carmelites. The retreats will be held in St. Louis, MO. For more information or to register, call 314-965-7616 or e-mail vocations@carmelitedcj.org. Visit the web site at www.carmelitedcj.org.

Christian Family Planning Seminar

This is a requirement for engaged couples who will be married in the Diocese of Rapid City. It will be offered by the Diocesan Natural Family Planning Ministry on **Saturday, June 16, 9:00 a.m. - Noon at St. Anthony's, Hot Springs.** The seminar is also an enriching learning experience for married couples or anyone wanting to know more about Natural Family Planning. For more information, and to register for this seminar, call Family Life Ministries at 343-3541.

Help Us Celebrate Your Marriage!

Please let Teresa in the parish office know of any couples in our parish who will be celebrating a marriage of 25 years, 50 years or more in 2007. 787-5168

Father-Son Pilgrimage Hike

Join us for a hike in the hills, June 16, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will have mass and lunch together. Please bring a sack lunch. Meet at the Cathedral at 8 a.m. Contact the Office of Vocations for more information, 343-3541, ssafford@diorc.org. Flyers available online at www.Gods-call.org, on the EVENTS page.

Faithful Citizenship Sunday May 27

PENTECOST SUNDAY Faithful Citizenship joins suffering in solidarity with all people in all circumstances and stages of life. The Redeemer suffered in place of man and for man. Every man has *his own share in the redemption.* Each one is also *called to share in that suffering* through which the redemption was accomplished. He is called to share in that suffering through which all human suffering has also been redeemed. In bringing about the redemption through suffering, Christ *has* also *raised human suffering to the level of the Redemption.* Thus each man, in his suffering, can also become a sharer in the redemptive suffering of Christ.

Salvifici Doloris (On the Christian Meaning of Human Suffering). Pope John Paul II., (From the Diocesan Pro-Life Commission Faithful Citizenship Committee)

For the Ride Home

Feast of Pentecost
May 27, 2007

Scripture

•And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4)

• May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD be glad in his works! (Psalm 104:31)

•The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, (Romans 8:16)

•Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." (John 20:21, 22)

Reflection

•Are you aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit?

The Spirit alone guides us to the Son and draws us to the Father. Indeed, "the Spirit bears witness with our spirit that we are sons of God" (Romans 8:16)… Praying means allowing the Spirit to instruct us; the Spirit allows us to understand and taste the things of God. He gives us, in particular, an understanding of God's plan; he brings us into the ways of God. The Spirit gives us this important discernment, this gift of wisdom, which allows us to discern what is according to God's will in such a way as to bring it to bear on our practical decisions and to establish a hierarchy of values and order our occupations, not according to human wisdom and prudence, but also to the folly of the cross and the inspiration of the Gospel.… The Spirit gives us a sense of spiritual things and a just hierarchy of values to be found there.[1]

[1]Jean Cardinal Danielou, *Prayer: The Mission of the Church*, Eerdmans Publishing, Grand Rapids, MI, 1996, pp. 121,2.

Sparks From Mark

Origins of Whole Community Catechesis

The following factors have led to the development of whole community catechesis.

- Influence of several important documents that have been issued during the past three decades. (these were in last weeks Sparks)
- Direction provided by the General Directory for Catechesis (GDC), in particular, “The Christian community is the origin, locus, and goal of catechesis. Proclamation of the Gospel always begins with the Christian community and invites [people] to conversion and the following of Christ.” (GDC, 254) ”Catechesis is the responsibility of the entire Christian community…Continuing education in the faith is a question which concerns the whole community: catechesis, therefore, is an educational activity which arises from the particular responsibility of every member of the community…The Christian community follows the development of catechetical processes, for children, young people and adults, as a duty that involves and binds it directly.” (GDC, 220)
- Growing awareness of the pivotal role of adult catechesis and frustration with a perceived failure to achieve this goal: "...the organizing principle, which gives coherence to the various catechetical programs offered by a particular Church, is attention to adult catechesis. This is the axis around which revolves the catechesis of childhood and adolescence as well as that of old age." (GDC, 275) Many of those working in parishes have come to accept this principle and yet have been increasingly frustrated by what are perceived to be repeated failed attempts to put this into practice. In particular, there is a sense that our best efforts to provide substantive and attractive adult faith formation opportunities have largely fallen on deaf ears or, at best, attracted only a core group of parish "regulars."
- An experience of the Rite of Christian Initiation as an inspiration for all catechesis. Many people in parishes have experienced the powerful and positive effects of the Rite of Christian Initiation on the entire community. Those aspects of the RCIA process that particularly resonate include the emphasis on evangelization, the centrality of the Sunday Eucharist, the importance of small group faith sharing and the necessary support of the entire parish.
- Development of the concepts of intergenerational/whole community catechesis within the youth ministry context. These two concepts found an early home in the world of youth ministry. Renewing the Vision (1997) spurred a movement toward family-centered and intergenerational catechesis that naturally spread beyond the confines of youth ministry.
- A sense that parish communities need to look at ways to coordinate their diverse catechetical programs and to provide a common focus. "These different programs of catechesis, each with its own socio-cultural variations, should not be organized separately as though they were 'separate compartments without any communication between them.' It is necessary that the catechesis offered by a particular Church be well coordinated. Among the diverse forms of catechesis 'their perfect complementary must be fostered.' " (GDC, 275)

Sponsor a Chicken Farm for a Guatemalan Family

OLBH Missionaries will do all the work!

Protein deficiency is one of the greatest causes of malnutrition in San Lucas Toliman, Guatemala. The gift of a small chicken farm helps provide a needy family in Guatemala with a sustainable diet of protein from eggs, meat and supplemental income from selling extra eggs and chickens. Chickens really do help the finances of the family especially if they sell one and buy two chicks to increase their flock.

Your $75 donation will include chickens, feed, feeders, and chicken box nesters for a Guatemalan family.

Feel free to join other families in sponsoring one Guatemalan family.